

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA
RATIFYING THE POWER AIR BLOWER REGULATION ISSUED BY
THE CITY MANAGER ON JANUARY 14, 2025**

WHEREAS, windstorms of extraordinary magnitude and widespread fires that began on January 7, 2025 have simultaneously impacted the City of Pasadena; and

WHEREAS, these conditions include dangerous gusts of over 80 miles per hour and wind-driven and destructive wildfires, causing extensive interruption of utilities and other critical services to the community, as well as widespread damage to infrastructure, structures, and roads that necessitated evacuation of Pasadena residents and multiple sheltering operations; and

WHEREAS, residential structures, businesses, and critical infrastructures in several areas throughout the City of Pasadena have sustained major damage and continue to be threatened by the windstorms and fires; and

WHEREAS, the fires have caused hazardous conditions including, but not limited to, significant degradation to air quality due to massive amounts of hazardous smoke and particulate matter being introduced to the ambient air; and

WHEREAS, the use of power air blowers, including leaf blowers, and other similar devices stir up ash and particulate matter into the air, further worsening air quality and increasing health risks for everyone and their pets, particularly for those with respiratory conditions, older adults, children, and other vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Disaster Emergency Services of the City of Pasadena did proclaim the existence of a local emergency within said city on the 8th day of January, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City Council ratified the declaration of a local emergency on January 13, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Disaster Emergency Services issued Power Air Blower Regulation prohibiting the use of power air blowers and air propelling devices, such as leaf blowers, until the Director determines that fire recovery conditions have progressed to a point where use of power air blowers and air propelling devices will not

imperil lives or negatively impact the health, safety, and well-being of the lives of residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the January 14, 2025, Power Air Blower Regulation is hereby ratified and confirmed by the City Council; and
2. That said Power Air Blower Regulation shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Pasadena

Adopted at the _____ meeting of the City Council on the _____ day of _____, 2025 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mark Jomsky
City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Arnold F. Lee
Chief Assistant City Attorney